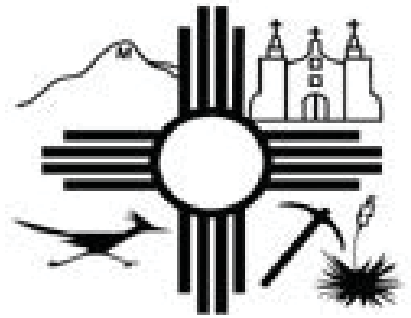


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A Little Something New on Your Utility Bill

It's so small—only 47 characters long—that you might not notice it, but it's a big opportunity to do something of lasting importance.

"Donation-Socorro Animal Shelter/Adoption Center Enter Amount \$_____", it says at the bottom of your bill..

It means that you can now add a little bit to your utility payment to help defray the costs of emergency medical treatment and other special needs of shelter dogs and cats that will hasten their adoption into loving permanent homes. The shelter/adoption center is funded by the City of Socorro and your donation is tax deductible. You can do it one month when you have a little extra or you can make a habit of doing a little bit every month. Every little bit helps!

Look for it on your City utility bill this month.

Give the Star Party a Whirl!

First there's a supernova and a star collapses into a neutron star. Then it starts to spin--fast. Really fast. Sometimes as fast as mere milliseconds per rotation. It appears to pulsate as it spins.

Sound intriguing? If you want to know more, Scott Ransom is the person to listen to. He's this year's keynote speaker for the annual **Enchanted Skies Star Party**, Friday, September 30, 7:00 pm at the Workman Center on the Tech campus. Scott is an NRAO astronomer and an expert on pulsars. You'll find his research and discoveries interesting, no matter how much or how little you already know about pulsars.

Employee Anniversaries
Brandy Perkins 10 years

Following his talk, you and your family can head over to the Etscorn Observatory for a look at the night sky. Astrophysics doctoral student Jason Speights will be on hand to talk about "Beginning Amateur Astronomy" and G.B. Cornucopia of the National Park Service will guide viewers through a tour of the constellations.

That's just Friday night. There are plenty of other activities planned for the rest of the Party. The dark sky viewing will take place at Fort Craig this year, and, of course, there's always the trip up Mount Baldy to see the stars from above city lights. For more information see www.enchantedskies.org or call Judy Stanley at 835-7243.



Planning Ahead....

The biggest weekend of the year for Socorro is the first weekend in October. To help you plan ahead, here's a run down of events for that first weekend:

- San Miguel Fiesta
- Chile Chase Golf Tournament
- Trinity Site Tour
- First Saturday Tour of the Very large Array
- Chile Proppers Model Aircraft Fly
- Socorro Historical Society's Oktoberfest at the Hammel Museum

It all happens that first weekend of October. Be ready!

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